

Model Community Guidelines Home/Apartment

1. Practice waste reduction, reuse and recycling:
 - Use reusable items vs. Disposable items (e.g. Ceramic vs. Plastic or paper plates and cups, cloth vs. Paper towels, cloth vs. Disposable dippers - where applicable)
 - Set up in-house recycling center and participate in Community recycling program
 - Purchase supplies in bulk where possible and consistent with inventory turnover
 - Minimize use and seek out alternatives to household toxins (such as cleansers, furniture polish, lawn chemicals, bug sprays, etc.)
 - Reuse scrap paper (e.g. Make into note pads)
 - Purchase office paper and administrative products made with recycled content (e.g. Paper, paper towels, tissue paper, note pads, etc.)
 - Borrow or repair items before purchasing new item
 - Maintain appliances in good repair to prolong the life of appliances
 - Reduce amount of junk mail received by writing and advising your current subscription not to share your name and address with other mailers. Also, write to Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, 11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036
 - Purchase and use at least two other items made with recycled content (e.g. Desk organizers, such as recycling bins, desk top trays, if applicable)
 - Practice one waste reduction technique in every room in the home
 - Conduct home waste audit to determine the area of greatest waste reduction need
 - Reuse envelopes
2. Participates in/promote waste exchange, recycling and composting:
 - share magazines and newspaper subscriptions with friends and neighbors
 - Compost food and/or leaf/yard waste
 - Participate in local recycling committee
 - Purchase used products rather than new ones
 - Conduct/participate in yard sales